

URBAN DISTRICT OF TEIGNMOUTH.ANNUAL HEALTH REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1949.PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE URBAN DISTRICT.

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STATISTICAL MEMORANDA, 1949.

Area	2,350 acres.
Population (Mid 1949 - Registrar General's estimate)	10,520
Number of inhabited houses (end 1949) according to Rate Books)	3,167
Rateable Value	£92,885.
Sum represented by a penny rate	£ 378.0.8.028d.
Births	121
Birth-rate per 1,000 population	11.50
Birth-rate (England & Wales)	16.70
Deaths	195
Death-rate per 1,000 population	18.54
Death-rate (England & Wales)	11.70
Infantile Mortality	33.06 per 1,000 live births.
Infantile Mortality (England & Wales)	32 per 1,000 live births.

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1949.LIVE BIRTHS:-

	Total	Males	Females	
Legitimate	112	59	53) Birthrate per 1,000 of estimated population 11.50.
Illegitimate	9	5	4	

STILL BIRTHS:-

Legitimate	1	1	-) Rate per 1,000 (live and still) births 8.2
Illegitimate	-	-	-	

DEATHS:-

195	90	105) Death-rate per 1,000 of estimated population 18.54

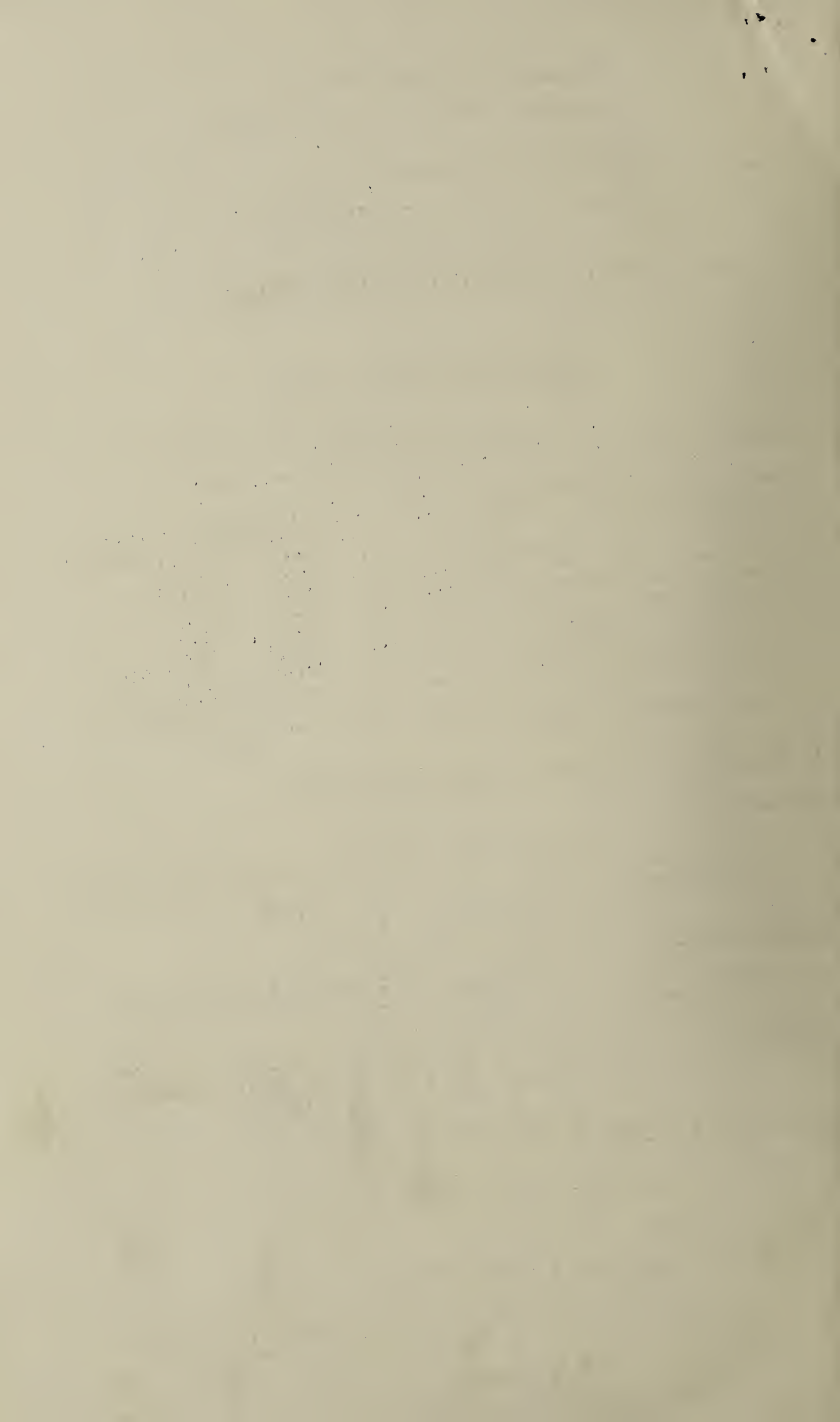
DEATHS FROM PUERPERAL CAUSES:-

Puerperal Sepsis	Nil
Other maternal causes	..	Nil

INFANT MORTALITY:-

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:-

	Males	Females	Total	
Legitimate	2	2	4) Death rate per 1,000 live births 33.06
Illegitimate	-	-	-	



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INFANT MORTALITY:-

Deaths from Measles (all ages) ..	Nil
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages) ..	Nil
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years) ..	Nil

CAUSES OF DEATH. (REGISTRAR GENERAL'S FIGURES).

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Tuberculosis of Respiratory System ...	2	-
Cancer ...	8	20
Diabetes ...	-	2
Cerebral Haemorrhage, etc., ...	8	15
Heart Diseases ...	40	36
Other Diseases of Circulatory System ...	1	1
Bronchitis ...	2	5
Pneumonia ...	4	2
Other Respiratory Diseases ...	2	1
Ulcer of Stomach or Duodenum ...	2	-
Other Digestive Diseases ...	2	3
Nephritis ...	4	4
Premature Birth ...	1	1
Congenital Malformation, birth injuries etc., ...	1	1
Suicide ...	2	4
Road traffic accidents ...	3	-
Other violent causes ...	1	1
All other causes ...	7	13
Total - all causes	<u>90</u>	<u>105</u>

INCIDENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES DURING 1949.

<u>Disease.</u>	<u>Total cases notified.</u>	<u>Admitted to Hospital</u>	<u>Deaths</u>
Smallpox	Nil	Nil	Nil
Scarlet Fever	3	3	Nil
Diphtheria	Nil	Nil	Nil
Typhoid Fever	Nil	Nil	Nil
Pneumonia	9	Nil	6
Whooping Cough	70	2	Nil
Erysipelas	2	Nil	Nil
Measles	212	1	Nil
Poliomyelitis	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chickenpox	2	Nil	Nil
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INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS ARRANGED IN AGE GROUPS.

	<u>Under 1</u>	<u>1 yr.</u>	<u>2 yrs.</u>	<u>3 yrs.</u>	<u>4 yrs.</u>	<u>5 yrs.</u>	<u>6-10</u>	<u>11-15</u>	<u>16-20</u>	<u>21-35</u>	<u>36-45</u>	<u>46-65</u>	<u>66 and over</u>	<u>TOTAL.</u>
Scarlet Fever	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Pneumonia	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
Whooping Cough	7	3	11	5	14	9	17	1	1	1	1	4	1	70
Erysipelas	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Measles	10	24	32	33	27	41	37	6	1	1	1	2	1	22
Chickenpox	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	212
Totals:	<u>18</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>298</u>

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DIPHTHERIA. IMMUNISATION.

Since 1948 this work has been carried out by the Devon County Council Medical Staff. No cases of Diphtheria have been notified throughout the year in the District.

TUBERCULOSIS.

Particulars of New cases notified during 1949 in the District.

<u>Age Periods.</u>	<u>Pulmonary.</u>		<u>Non-pulmonary.</u>	
	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Under 25 yrs.	1	2	1	-
25 - 34 yrs.	-	1	-	-
35 - 44 yrs.	-	-	-	-
45 - 54 yrs.	-	-	-	-
55 - 64 yrs.	-	-	-	-
Over 65 yrs.	1	-	-	-

Deaths from Tuberculosis numbered 2 only.

Pulmonary - 2 males.

FOOD POISONING.

No notifications of Food poisoning were received during the year.

WATER SUPPLY.

I am indebted to the Council's Water Engineer for the following report upon the Water Supply of the District for the past year.

1. The water supply to the area and its several parts has, on the whole, been satisfactory, both in quality and quantity, except during the dry spell of last summer. A reduction in the quantity available from Paignton, and the fact that both wells were being pumped dry in a short time, necessitated curtailment of supply during the night hours, and prohibition of the use of water for gardens, car washing, etc., The curtailment was enforced between the 24th August and the 14th of September, 1949. Simultaneously, difficulty was experienced in maintaining a satisfactory bacteriological purity of the water, particularly from the wells and stream.
2. Bacteriological examinations were made of the water - 22 examinations of the raw, and 27 on the supply system. Some 16 analysis reports were considered to be unsatisfactory and adjustments were made to the rate of chlorination, which overcame the trouble.
3. There is no evidence that the water has any plumbo-solvent action.
4. During the dry period of the summer, it was necessary to divert Haldon Stream, due to its being contaminated. Although diverted, analyses were still carried out, and this accounts for many of the unsatisfactory analyses recorded above.
5. The population supplied from the public water mains direct to houses was 10,500 and by means of stand-pipes 30. The total number of dwellings as at December 31st, 1949 was 3,167.

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WATER SUPPLY (continued).

The total consumption of water for the year was 172,889,500 gallons. The totals for each district were:-

Shaldon 19,329,500 gallons.
Teignmouth - high level.. 92,823,000 gallons.
Teignmouth - low level... 60,737,000 gallons.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

It was not found necessary during the year to invoke the powers of Section 47 of the above Act, to secure the removal of persons in need of care and attention to suitable premises.

TEIGNMOUTH PORT SANITARY DISTRICT.

Through the courtesy of the Harbour Master, I am able to submit the following table:-

The amount of Shipping entering the Port during the year, 1949 was as follows:-

			Number Inspected		No.
			By the	by the	reported
	Number.	Tonnage	L.O.H.	Sanitary	to be
				Inspector.	defective.
<u>FOREIGN.</u>					
Steamers.	11	10,399	1	2	-
'Motor.	196	33,965	10	21	-
Total Foreign:	207	44,364	11	23	-
<u>COASTWISE.</u>					
Steamers.	2	420	-	1	-
'Motor.	55	9,350	8	13	-
Total Coastwise:	57	9,770	8	14	-
Total Foreign & Coastwise:	264	54,134	19	34	-

' Includes mechanically propelled vessels other than Steamers.

No vessels were reported as having had cases of Infectious Disease on board during the voyage.

SANITARY INSPECTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT, 1949.

INSPECTIONS AND VISITS.

During the year 3,137 inspections and visits have been made in connection with official duties.

These are divided as follows:-

Inspections re Nuisances, Housing, etc.,	1,483
Inspections of Food Premises, etc.,	214
Inspections of Dairies, etc.,	61
Inspections of Factories and Workplaces.	75
Visits in connection with Rat and Mice Infestations	924
Visits in connection with Refuse & Salvage Collection and Disposal	331
Visits in connection with Infectious Diseases, etc.,	49

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

The built-up portion of the District is sewered and with the exception of a few out-lying houses and farms, which are removed from such sewers, the whole of the houses in the District discharge to pipe sewers, which are connected, via storage tanks and pumping stations to two controlled outlets at the mouth of the River Teign.

FOOD INSPECTION.

There are now no licenced or registered slaughter-houses in the District and all meat is brought to the town from the Ministry of Food slaughter-house at Newton Abbot, etc., During the year 214 visits have been paid to food premises and 474 packets and tins of various food stuffs, weighing 582 lb. have been condemned. The following quantities of other foods were also surrendered:-

Veal	20 lb.
Beef, Pork & lamb	55 lb.
Tripe	90 lb.
Fish	308 lb.
Groceries	861 lb.
Oranges	756 lb.

making a total weight of 1,897 lb. condemned as unfit for human food. No legal action was necessary in regard to any of the above.

HOUSING.

During the year 39 new houses have been erected and occupied on the Council's Housing Estate at Coombe Valley, and in addition 29 families have been accommodated in requisitioned premises or in vacated Council houses. As far as possible with the premises available, transfers are arranged between tenants so that the size of the house concerned is in proportion to the size of the family. The list of applicants for the tenancies of Council premises shows no signs of decreasing.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Is under the control of the Public Health Department. Collection of refuse (once weekly from private houses and twice weekly from notels and boarding houses) is executed by two "Karrier Bantam" Refuse vehicles. Tipping, by controlled methods, is at the Council's tip at Broadmeadow, which it is proposed eventually to convert to an extensive levelled area, capable of accommodating football grounds, cricket pitches, tennis courts, etc., which are badly needed in the District.

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WASTE PAPER SALVAGE.

The flow of paper salvage continued during the early part of the year and it was a great disappointment when the demand suddenly ceased, without warning, in June. Up to that month 51½ tons had been collected, baled and sold at controlled prices, and although collections were carried on until September in the hope that demand would revive, the scheme became non-supporting and the accumulated further 25 tons had to be sold at a cut price, owing to the lack of storage space. Rags and iron were also reclaimed and sold, the total sales value of all Salvage being approximately £430 for the whole year.

SUMMARY OF WORK CARRIED OUT BY THE SANITARY INSPECTOR
DURING 1949.

Drain tests applied	338
Drains relaid	34
Drains repaired	22
Drains disconnected from sewer	32
Drains ventilated	35
Soil pipes repaired, taken outside house, or new	29
Chocked drains cleared	113
Inspection Chambers constructed	106
Defective Traps replaced and new gullies fixed	111
Yards paved	63
Washdown pedestal pans fixed	71
Glazed Stoneware Sinks provided	64
New flushing apparatus provided or old repaired	76
Rooms and premises cleansed	91
Ashbins provided	23
Roofs repaired or new provided	41
Additional Ventilation provided	11
Offensive accumulations removed	104
Miscellaneous Nuisances abated (defective floors, walls, sash-cords, windows, stoves, washing boilers, etc.,	197
Notices issued, Preliminary	304
Notices issued, Statutory	5
Prosecutions	1

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FACTORIES ACT, 1937 & 1948.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health in respect of the year 1944 for the Urban District of Teignmouth in the County of DEVON.

Prescribed Particulars on the administration
of the Factories Act, 1937.

PART I OF THE ACT.

1 INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by Sanitary Inspector).

Premises	Number of			
	Number on Register.	Inspections	W/N	Occupiers prosecuted.
i. Premises in which S.1, 2,3,4, 6 & 8 are to be enforced by L/A.	37	40	6	Nil
ii. Factories not included in (i.) which S.7 is enforced by the L/A.	66	73	4	Nil
iii. Other premises in which S.7 is enforced by the L/A (excluding out-workers' premises)	12	21	Nil	Nil
TOTALS:	115	134	10	Nil

2 CASES IN WHICH DEFECTS WERE FOUND.

Particulars.	No. of cases in which defects were found.				No. of cases in which pro- secutions were instituted.
	Found	Remedied	Referred		
			To H.M. Insptr.	By H.M. Insptr.	
Want of Cleanliness, Sl. 6	6	6	-	1	Nil
Overcrowding (S.2.)	-	-	-	-	Nil
Unreasonable temperature. (S.3)	-	-	-	-	Nil
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	Nil
Ineffective drainage of floors. (S.6)	-	-	-	-	Nil
Sanitary Conven:-					
(a) Insufficient	6	6	-	4	Nil
(b) Unsuitable or defective	-	-	-	-	Nil
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	Nil
Other offences against the Act.	4	4	-	-	Nil
TOTALS:	16	16	-	5	Nil

No cases of outwork being carried on in unwholesome premises have been found and consequently Table 3 has not been included.

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